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In re Patent Application of :
Fei CHEN et al.
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For: SYSTEM FOR OPTIMISING THE PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE
OF A MILK PRODUCING ANIMAL HERD

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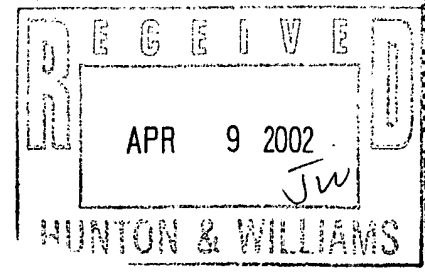
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